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SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING OF REFUGEES IN BUENOS AIRES

REF: A) MONTEVIDEO 2208, B) BUENOS AIRES 3960

1. UNHCR OFFICIAL WHO INTERVIEWED GROUP OF CHILEAN AND URUGUAYAN REFUGEES AFTER THEIR RELEASE BY KIDNAPPERS JUNE 12 IS OUT OF ARGENTINA FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH. HEAD OF UNHCR OFFICE TOLD EMBOFFS JUNE 30 THAT HE IS AWARE THAT REFUGEES TOLD UNHCR SUBORDINATE THAT THEY RECOGNIZED AND COULD NAME URUGUAYAN SECURITY OFFICIALS (PLURAL) WHO ARE ACTIVE IN BUENOS AIRES IN JOINT OPERATIONS WITH ARGENTINE OFFICIALS AGAINST REFUGEES, BUT HE HIMSELF DOES NOT HAVE NAMES. HE DID HIMSELF TALK WITH THE ONE URUGUAYAN AMONG THOSE KIDNAPPED WHO STATED THAT HE WAS QUESTIONED DURING INCIDENT BY SAME URUGUAYAN SECURITY OFFICIAL WHO HAD INTERROGATED HIM TWO YEARS AGO IN MONTEVIDEO BEFORE HE, THE REFUGEE, CAME TO ARGENTINA.

2. WE CANNOT EVALUATE REFUGEE CLAIMS OF RECOGNITION OF URUGUAYAN SECURITY OFFICIALS IN KIDNAPPING INCIDENT UNTIL WE HAVE MORE INFORMATION. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO DEBRIEF UNHCR OFFICIAL WHO INTERVIEWED REFUGEES WHEN HE RETURNS TO BUENOS AIRES. IT IS FACT, HOWEVER, THAT UNHCR OFFICIALS ACCEPT
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STORIES AS TRUE AND HAVE SPOKEN TO OTHER DIPLOMATS ABOUT

THEM. GIVEN WEIGHT OF INFORMATION ACCUMULATING THROUGH
VARIOUS CHANNELS CONCERNING COOPERATION BETWEEN
REGIONAL SECURITY FORCES, WE DO NOT FIND IT IMPROBABLE THAT
COOPERATION TO DEGREE CLAIMED BY REFUGEES COULD BE OCCURING.
WE HAVE NOT EXPRESSED THIS VIEW OR DISCUSSED UNHCR ALLEGATIONS
OUTSIDE APPROPRIATE CLASSIFIED CHANNELS.
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